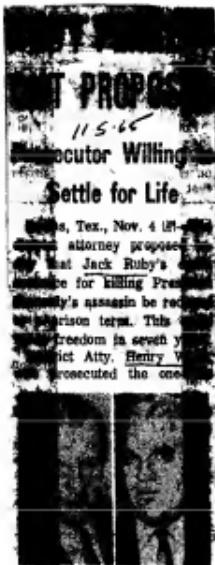


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The attached news article was taken from the CHICAGO TRIBUNE dated 5 November, 1965.

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Ruby (left) and Wade  
Wade, club operator, said he had  
been "inclined to recommend" a  
sentence of life in prison. Wade  
said the defense would  
instead ask for a five-year sentence.

*Story's Verdict Was "Balky."*  
Ruby is no way a criminal  
who has kept behind bars  
most of his life provided he has  
a good prison record.

A convict can apply for par-  
ole in 15 years or after serv-  
ing a third of his sentence,  
whichever is less.

Good conduct, appointment  
as a trustee, and donating blood  
can reduce the 15-year maxi-  
mum for parole application to  
as few as seven years.

Arbery assessed a sentence of  
death in the electric chair  
against Ruby for killing Lee  
Harvey Oswald two days after  
Oswald assassinated Kennedy  
in Dallas Nov. 22, 1963.

Execution has been delayed  
by numerous complex appeals.

#### *One Wants New Trial*

Wade said, "One of their  
attorneys—Mr. Sol Dann of De-  
troit—wants to hold out for a  
five-year sentence.

"We do not feel this would be  
a proper punishment. The pun-  
ishment should be at least life  
imprisonment."

Another Ruby lawyer, Phil  
Burris of Dallas, indicated  
the defense is not interested in  
an agreement with the district  
attorney because, he says,  
there are enough errors in the  
original trial for Ruby to re-  
ceive another trial.

The district attorney said the  
responsibility for asking a com-

mittee to review the case  
rests with the defense.

The request would be made  
to the Texas board of pardons  
and paroles. The board would  
make a recommendation to  
Gov. John Connally, himself  
wounded by Oswald.

"If they [Ruby's lawyers] ap-  
ply for a life sentence, we would  
join with them in recommending  
a life sentence," Wade said.  
He said that under those cir-  
cumstances "there would be an  
excellent chance" that life  
term would be granted.

#### *Comment by Judge*

"There are still a lot of un-  
answered questions," said Wade.  
"There is an advantage to  
keeping Ruby alive for inter-  
views and historical purposes."

District Judge Joe B. Brown  
Sr., who presided at the trial,  
said some time ago that he be-  
lieves Ruby will not be exe-  
cuted.

"After all," Brown said, "we  
are talking about the man who  
killed the man who killed Pres-  
ident Kennedy."

Ruby has remained in the  
Dallas county jail since he shot  
Oswald Nov. 24, 1963, in a bas-  
ement corridor of City hall on a  
routine jail transfer. He has  
made brief trips to a psychia-  
trist and a few court appear-  
ances.

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